

**3.5M ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL/TUCKER FIELD
BUILDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

A meeting of the Building Committee held on Wednesday, May 23, 2007, at the Cumberland Administrative Office/Superintendent's Conference Room, 2602 Mendon Road, was called to order by Chairman Earl Wood at 5:30 PM, with the following present:

Earl Wood, Chair; Thomas Bruce, Mark Lindgren, Donna Morelle, Eugene Sartini

**Also Attending: Mia Ackerman, Richard Hilton, Craig Showstead;
KBA: Ashley Prester**

Absent: Maureen H. Aveno

I. Ashton/JJM Cumberland Hill Update - Mr. Wood explained that after talking to the Mayor and Mr. Higgins about putting this item on the Town Council agenda, he didn't feel there would be funding. The Mayor told Mr. Wood that others should "share the pain." Mr. Wood stated he came back to discuss the Ashton/JJM Cumberland Hill situation with Dr. Morelle. After meeting with Mr. Hilton and Mr. Prignano, they were able to find \$200,000 in the school department budget and asked Mr. Prester for a new design for JJM Cumberland Hill. Dr. Morelle reported that she and Mr. Hilton had met with the fire marshal on the fire code deficiencies and they have been given 30 days to come back to the district and return with an action plan and

time line on all the deficiencies. They are due back to the fire marshal on June 26th.

Mr. Prester reported they made the following changes at JJM Cumberland Hill: expand the media center at its existing location, upgrade the teacher and main toilet rooms for ADA compliance, make corrective measures to meet current building and fire codes, new fire alarm system, expand the nurse's area, provide new guidance office and conference room, provide wheelchair access to the exiting cafeteria/gymnasium, new construction for OT/PT, psychologist/reading and speech area, new student entrance. Mr. Prester reported he has spoken to ADS Construction and they will extend their bid by 30 days in order to get the project approved. Discussion ensued regarding whether to rebid these changes or request a change order and whether the fire codes could be deducted from the project. It was believed there still is not enough money by reducing the scope at JJM Cumberland Hill. The cost of Ashton and the fire code would be just over 1.9 million dollars. Mr. Hilton expressed concern that reducing the scope could reduce the housing aid. Mr. Bruce read the resolution that had been prepared to present to the Town Council. On a motion by Mr. Lindgren, and a second by Mr. Sartini, it was VOTED 4-1 TO APPROVE putting the resolution on the Town Council agenda to do Ashton only and the fire upgrades at JJM Cumberland Hill, with Mr. Wood voting against. Mr. Wood said he would call the Mayor and Mr. Higgins.

Mr. Prester noted they were requesting a variance on wired glass in the doors. Dr. Morelle asked him to get that information to her to include in her letter to the fire marshal.

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II. Windows & Doors Update - Mr. Hilton reported they are waiting on Mr. Ule's punch list.

III. Old Business/New Business

A. Tucker Field - Mr. Showstead asked about Tucker Field and Mr. Wood explained that was now a separate committee.

IV. Payment of Invoices - On a motion by Mr. Sartini, and a second by Mr. Lindgren, it was VOTED 5-0 TO APPROVE payment of the \$680.50 Ocean State Blue Print invoice and the \$873.50 CM High Volume Digital copying invoice.

V. Review and Approval of Minutes

A. April 9, 2007 - It was noted the minutes should be dated April 25, 2007. On a motion by Dr. Morelle, and a second by Mr. Sartini, it was VOTED 5-0 TO APPROVE the April 25, 2007 minutes.

VI. Adjournment - On a motion by Dr. Morelle, and a second by Mr. Sartini, it was VOTED

5-0 TO APPROVE adjourning at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Harris

Recording Secretary

Approved June 13, 2007